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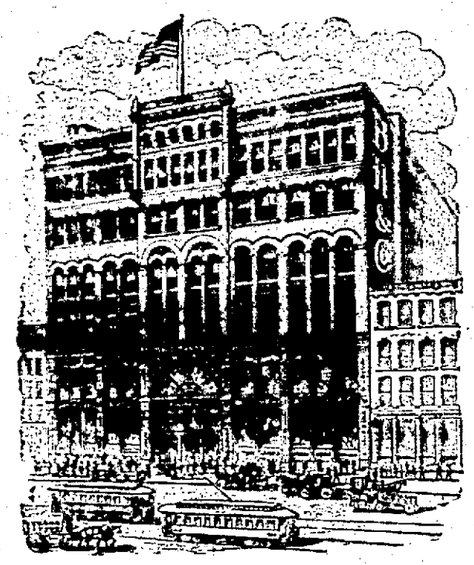

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Sing me a song of the summer time,
Of the fire in the sorrel and ruby clover,
Where the garrulous bobolinks lilt and chime,
Over and over

Sing me a song of the strawberry beds,
Of the black cap hiding the heap of stones,
Of the milkweed driveway with sultry scent
Where the bee drones.

Sing for a song of the spring head still,
Of the dewy fern in the solitude,
Of the hermit thrush and the whippoorwill
Thanking the wood.

Sing me a song of the gleaming scythe,
Of the scented hay in the hurried wain,
Of the mowers whistling bright and blithe
In the sunny rain.

Sing me a song of the quince and the grape,
Of the apricot by the orchard wall,
Where lends my love Armitage,
Gathering the fruit of the windfall.

Sing me a song of the rustling, slow
Sway of the wheat as the winds creep,
Of the golden disk and the dreaming glow
Of the harvest moon.

—Duncan Campbell Scott in Scribner's.

A HOLIDAY TRAGEDY.

All my life I have been—well, not exactly a woman hater, but a firm believer in the idea that man is the lord of creation, and that woman is not an absolute necessity. For many years it was my proud boast that I was able to dispense with feminine aid and yet live a very enjoyable life, as, with clockwork regularity, I went from my bachelor lodgings to business each morning, returning in the afternoon and spending the evening at the club or some place of amusement. The idea of having a lady companion in my rambles never entered my head.

True, my landlady—good old soul—prepared my meals and cleaned my rooms, but that was because I had not time to do it myself, and a manservant was beyond my means. But in all else I dispensed with woman's aid. Boot cleaning, sewing buttons on, lighting the fire, etc., were all done with my own hands—nay, at a pinch I have even washed a pocket handkerchief.

I desired to stand forth as a living example of the original Adam and a proof of the superiority of the modern Eve. But my misguided companions refused to profit by my teachings or to follow my example. One by one they fell under female influence, one by one they married, and then—I cut them dead. Ah, me, those few bohemian days were happy ones, as year after year I pursued my adopted course in spite of the continual falling off of my comrades. Then came a time when my circle of acquaintances had increased so considerably that I began to find lonely. Bachelor chums were more difficult to find than ever. To long hours succeeded melancholy, and I grew miserable and pessimistic.

One friend, to whom I laid bare my woes, said:

"Your keep to yourself too much. What you ought to do is to lodge with some family where there are two or three grown up daughters. They would wake you up a bit."

This, to me, the hitherto ideal advocate of an Endless Eden! And yet, after the advice had been tendered several times, I began to think that such a change might be beneficial. Such a course need not involve the rendering up of my tenets; but, as woman still formed a part of the world, she might at least contribute to my amusement. So, after very serious consideration, I decided to seek fresh apartments, with light society thrown in.

Now my trouble commenced. I could not make the direct inquiry, "Have you any grown up daughters." So I generally viewed the rooms, listening to the landlady's verbiage, settled the rent, and then casually asked, "Have you any children?" and the reply would be: "Yes, four," "five," or "six" (as the case might be); "the eldest is 10 years old and the youngest two months. But they are as good as gold and never make a bit of noise."

The numberless journeys I made and the many desultory conversations I listened to were all to no purpose. No one appeared to possess grown up daughters—the eldest was always 10. Just when I was about to abandon my search, for the time—or was it fate?—led me to Myrtle Villa, Paradise gardens, Upper Dulwich. The door was opened by a vision of loveliness, faultlessly dressed, and with bright blue eyes and golden hair. "Newly married," thought I. "Well, here at least the eldest won't be ten!" She invited me in, and then disappeared, a middle aged lady entering directly after. We proceeded to discuss terms. Then came the inevitable inquiry as to children.

"I have two grown up daughters, the younger of whom opened the door to you."

At last! Need I say that, within a week, I was installed in Myrtle Villa? The landlady, a widow, was a genial, homely woman, and the youngest daughter, Annie, aged 25, I have already described, but the other daughter, Julia, did not impress me favorably. She was neither good looking nor pleasing, and, without being exactly bad tempered, always insisted upon having her own way.

I now seemed to be in a new world. My boots bore a brilliant luster each morning without my aid, and my slippers were laid ready for me in the evening, and as for lending me a needle and cotton—the idea!—if I would only leave them outside, they would only be too happy.

I no longer needed to seek relaxation at the club after the labors of the day. Julia played the piano well, her only accomplishment, while Annie sang divinely, and thus the evenings passed all too quickly. Male acquaintances they did not seem to possess. Yet, stay, there was one—a Mr. Malcolm, whose name I frequently heard mentioned, but as his calls were always made in the daytime I never saw him. I had rapidly passed into that condition of mind which raised a feeling of jealousy on his account, so one day I questioned my landlady on the subject.

"Oh, he's a very old friend of ours. Once we thought he would have proposed to Julia, but nothing came of it."

So time went pleasantly on, and then—how can I confess it?—my lifelong creed was thrown to the winds, my proud ambition humbled in the dust, and I became a willing slave to the sex I had so long despised and ignored. My only thought now was how and in what words I should beseech my darling Annie to become my wife. Time after time I was on the point of speaking, but Julia always turned up at the critical moment.

One evening Julia announced that a week thence she had an engagement to play at a concert. Then burst upon me a brilliant inspiration. I purchased two stall tickets for the Lyceum for that same evening, and making pretense that I had had them given to me I persuaded Annie to promise to accompany me. This time Julia would not be able to intrude, and I should know my fate. In two months' time I should be taking my summer holiday, which would fit in just nicely for the honeymoon.

On the eventful day I hastened homeward with a queer fluttering in my heart and a flower spray for Annie in my hat. Julia opened the door, and hardly permitted me to enter before she informed me that Annie had been out in the hot sun and had been obliged to go to bed with a very bad sick headache. My fluttering heart gave one huge bound and then seemed to stand still. However, to disguise my feelings, I said:

"I am sorry, and you have to play at the concert?"

"No," she replied, "the concert has been postponed."

"Then may I beg the pleasure of your company? I did not ask you before because of the concert engagement."

"Thanks! I shall enjoy it immensely."

What a miserable failure that evening proved to be! I do not even know what the play was called. I was thinking all the time of my poor, sick darling, and not of the acting or the woman who sat by my side wearing the flower spray that was meant for Annie.

The words were still unspoken when my holidays arrived, and tearing myself away from the two sisters who stood at the gate and waved their handkerchiefs as long as I remained in sight it was with no feelings of joyful anticipation that I betook myself to Hastings for rest and recreation.

Rest! Where could I find it? Not on the parade or pier amid hundreds of couples promenading, as I had pictured Annie and myself doing; not on the beach, where the Ethiopian musicians were eternally playing "Annie Laurie," "Sweet Annie Rooney," and "Annie, Dear, I'm Called Away." For a whole week I wandered aimlessly hither and thither. Then I could stand it no longer. So I wrote a long letter commencing "Darling," and pouring out the impassioned, pent up love that comes but once in a man's lifetime, I besought and beseeched her to take pity upon me, or my lifeless body should surge in the billows that beat relentlessly on the rocks of Beachy Head.

When I had finished, I happened to catch sight of a photograph which I had purchased the previous day, representing one of the yachts preparing to start on her morning trip, with my own figure in a prominent position in the bow. "Ah," thought I, "I'll send that to Julia."

If it were possible I had now less rest than before, night or day, while waiting for the answer. Rising in the morning with haggard looks and burning brow, the other boarders would remark that the sea air did not seem to agree with me, while under the mask of assumed indifference there raged within me the fiercest volcano that ever burned in the heart of man.

At last the reply came, and, bounding up to the privacy of my own room, with trembling fingers I tore open the envelope which hid from me—life or death?

"Dearest, I am yours forever. I cannot say your proposal was unexpected, for I have felt that you could mean nothing less ever since that evening when you so openly expressed your preference by taking me to the theater!"—

What, whew, where! I looked at the signature, "Julia." Oh, heavens, I saw it all! I had placed them in the wrong envelopes and sent the letter to Julia and the photograph to Annie! How I raged and fumed and tore my hair, until at last, in sheer exhaustion, I sank into a chair and endeavored to finish reading the letter.

"Annie thanks you very much for the photo, and also desires me to tell you that yesterday Mr. Malcolm proposed to her and was accepted. We will have the two weddings on the same day. Won't that be nice, dear!"

Nice! This was the last straw. Nice indeed for me to be married to a woman I did not care for, and at the same time to see the one I loved given to another man. I cannot remember what I did for the next hour or two beyond cursing my foolishness and swearing I wouldn't marry Julia. Then, when I became calmer, I saw an action for breach of promise looming. I thought of all my hard earned savings of years being swept away by a sympathetic jury to heal Julia's broken heart. There was no escape for me. She had my letter, which simply commenced "Darling," and as no name was mentioned in it from beginning to end was it possible that any body of intelligent men could be brought to believe that I intended it for Annie when I addressed the envelope to Julia? No, no! I must go through with it. I would marry Julia. Yes, and I would teach her that man is the lord of creation, and that woman is but a helpmate and not an equal, and so, in my married life, triumphantly assert those principles which I had held so long.

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Julia married me at the same time and place as Annie became Mrs. Malcolm. I now spend my evenings endeavoring to solve a difficult problem, and that is, Why do they call woman the weaker sex?—London Tit-Bits.

Bound to Have a License.

A bowhikered man who didn't look as prosperous as some of those behind him pushed himself to the front of the line in the city comptroller's office yesterday and stood at the license window.

"Is this where they get wagon licenses?" he asked the clerk.

"Yes, this is the place. Pay your money up stairs and bring the receipt down here," was the reply.

"Lem'me see. How much is a wagon license?" inquired the unprosperous man as he fingered his pocket.

"It will cost you $3."

"No les'en that?"

"No, that's the price regulated by law."

"How much for an express license?"

"That will cost you $1.25."

"Well, I can't afford it. I'll run my old wagon in the shed and turn my hosses out to pasture. I ain't got enough money and can't borrow it."

"Well, I'm sorry"—

"Say, how much is a dog license?"

"One dollar."

"Well, gim'me one. That's all I can afford."—Indianapolis Journal.

The Ball Nozzle.

According to Chief Bonner, the ball nozzle which has excited so much interest throughout the country is destined to work a radical and highly beneficial change in the system of fighting fire. Instead of working at a distance with straight streams, firemen, by using the ball nozzle, can enter burning buildings and work at close range, thus not only doing more effective work, but averting to a considerable extent the serious damage to interior property, and in many cases this system will enable firemen to save the lives of inmates of burning buildings. The man who has given the world an appliance of such value is certainly entitled to the gratitude of his fellow men.—New York Tribune.

"Talk about these horseless vehicles," said Uncle Si. "I seen 'em long ago."

"Why, pa!" began Aunt Maudy.

"Oh, but I did. Don't you remember the ole ox cart we rode to our weddin in?"—Indianapolis Journal.

MAUD MULLER AND TRILBY.

Maud Muller had a Trilby foot,
But she was not a Trilby.
A very different girl was she,
And so her story will be.
Sweet Maud was dressed in tattered gown,
Trilby in "altogether,"
For Trilby posed in studios
And Maud out in the weather.

Poor Maud, ashamed of her bare foot,
Her blushes tried to smother,
While Trilby first put one foot out
And then stuck out the other.
Love came to both of them one day,
Which they both had to smother.
The judge he smiled and rode away,
Billee went with his mother.

Then both these girls were hypnotized,
Poor Maudie by a farmer,
While Trilby fell beneath the spell
Of a satanic charmer.
Poor Maud she sighed, "It might have been!"
But Trilby knew it should not.
So bravely tried to let him go,
And sing although she could not.

Alas, for judge and gifted boy.
The darling little Billee!
Strangers overmore to joy
Their fair, airy loves unto Illy.
The world, too, sighs with secret pain.
And wishes, "Will he, will he,"
The judge had married rustic Maud
And Trilby, little Billee!
—Jeannette H. Murphy in New York Sun.

CONSCIENCE MONEY.

During my residence at the Villa Medicis—from 1871 to 1874—we were constantly hearing of highway robbery, and even of downright brigandage, out on the Campagna and up in the mountains. Sometimes rumor would bring the marauders to the very gates of the city, and at last the bandits were reported to have ventured into the town itself. The report did not exaggerate the reality.

Happily none of our party fell a victim to these attempts save one, who was stopped in open day by the side of Santa Maria Maggiore, forced back to the wall and "held up" with half a dozen knives gleaming in a semicircle around his throat.

He was relieved of his watch and gave up his purse, but beyond the loss of these articles suffered no injury. The watch he subsequently recovered, and the purse contained only a few francs. Simon Backer always was a lucky dog.

There was at this time, in the mountains near Cervara, a bandit whose activity and audacity had made him a terror to the district for several months past. Emboldened by the smiles with which fortune favored him, he grew daily more daring. He had ventured into Subiaco and carried off prisoners up to the walls of Tivoli. The peasants never failed to cross themselves when they spoke of Fontana. He was said to be not more than 20 at most, of a strikingly handsome presence, and to a courage that was indomitable he added the strength of a Hercules.

For nearly half a year this fellow and his band of cutthroats held possession of the Campagna. The attempts made from time to time to take him always came to nothing. Now it would be the royal and now the pontifical gendarmerie that would go after him, but the carbineers seemed never to arrive in time. There was always something to delay their departure or obstruct their march.

The Campagna is a veritable land of Goshen for a brigand who knows his business. Everywhere there are grottoes, caverns, grass grown ruins, abandoned quarries and broad belts of forest, untrodden for generations. A few villages, lost in these solitudes, are united to the outer world by a track which is unworthy the name of road and bound together by footpaths only recognizable by those accustomed to use them.

The child trotting from one to the other with a cheese for the grandmother, or returning with water from the distant fountain, would frequently fall in with the "wolf."

This "wolf" was Fontana disguised. With some cheap trinkets, perhaps a necklace of beads or a silver bracelet, he would entice the child to chatter, wheedling out of her who sold his beasts or disposed of his crop; inquiring if this one had received the bequest expected or that other been paid the legacy left him. And how could the frightened child refuse to answer when the "wolf" suddenly transformed himself into a handsome gentleman, with soft manners and hands filled with pretty things?

In one of these villages lived a man named Beppo Guerra. It was he himself who told me this story. He filled the triple office of notary, apothecary and lawyer.

At the close of the winter fairs held in Rome and the neighborhood Guerra had committed the great impudence of bringing back with him a large sum of money—several thousand francs. Fontana got wind of this.

One evening, when everybody in the village was asleep and Beppo was finishing his pipe down stairs, some shots were fired at the door. No warning had been given; no noise had been heard. Before Beppo could recover himself a ball crashed through the window and tore a long splinter from the ceiling just, the door was burst open, and Fontana entered, followed by several members of his band.

Terrified by the noise, Mme. Guerra rushed to the room to save her husband, and the children ran to seek protection near their mother.

Unmoved by the entreaties of the wife, the ruffians leveled their pistols at the heads of the affrighted family.

"Twenty-thousand francs is what we want of you," shouted Fontana. "Come, there's no time to waste. I don't want any blubbering, and I'm not going to listen to any tale pitching. Hand it over quickly. I'll give you five minutes to make up your mind."

Resistance was useless. To call for help was to seek sudden death and bring down vengeance on the heads of little ones. Beppo understood the situation exactly.

"I have not such a sum," said he coldly.

"Then give us what you have. The rest can be sent after you. We shall take you with us as security for payment, but no harm will befall you if your folks don't make fools of themselves and wake up the gentlemen in frogged coats and cock's feathers. When the last sou's paid, you'll be set free."

They rummaged the house, turning the place upside down, but found no more than the 12,000 francs Beppo had given them.

Guerra was immediately bound and gagged, a bandage was placed over his eyes, and they were going to lead him away, when his wife, throwing herself at the feet of the brigand chief, cried in accents of terror and despair:

"Agostino! Agostino!"—it was the Christian name of Fontana—"have mercy. Don't take him away. You know us well. Take the money, but leave us Beppo."

"No, no! Impossible! Go to the devil."

But the poor creature clung to him the tighter, seizing the folds of his cloak with both hands.

"Agostino!" she cried again. "You remember me. Many's the time I played with you when you were little."

"Go to the devil, I say. Make up the sum required and you shall have back your husband. In four days come alone to the spring by the marble quarry and we'll settle the account."

And in less time than it takes to wink, the brigands hurried off Beppo, leaving wife and children overwhelmed with disaster.

To make complaint and set the authorities to work was simply to put a bullet through the head of the prisoner. His wife knew this only too well. She knew also that it would be necessary to meet Fontana on the day appointed, at the place named.

She went alone—that was the condition—carrying with her every penny that she had been able to raise. Her eyes were swollen from want of sleep and reddened by much weeping.

In the vicinity of the quarry all was quiet. Everything about her spoke of peace, of tranquil days and silent nights. Only her own soul was in agitation.

Glancing upward she saw Fontana descending from above with the rapidity of a pebble detached by a pick. He came toward her with a comical air, like a fellow well pleased with himself for having just made a good stroke in a doubtful business.

"Beppo carries himself as high as the cupola of St. Peter's. We play cards together to help pass the time. Have you brought the money?"

"Not the whole of it, but surely this is enough—5,000!"

Fontana frowned under his eyebrows and answered roughly: "No; I said 20,000. Adieu!"

"Wait, wait," cried the poor woman, seeking to detain him. "I have not been able to get more in the time, but I will go at once to Orbatello, and his relatives there will give me what's lacking. The day after tomorrow I shall have it."

"Be it so, then. After tomorrow, here at this place. Thou knowest the rest."

Two days later the wife of Guerra was standing on the same spot, and Fontana, with the same comical air, was counting coins into his hat. The woman had brought with her the complement, and the bandit, having satisfied himself as to the amount, made her a low bow.

"This evening Beppo will return to his family. Allow me to wish you a last adieu."

On reaching his quarters in the mountains Fontana cut the cords which bound his prisoner to a stone of enormous size, threw the money and notes into his hat and shouted abruptly to his comrades:

"Here's the remainder. Beppo is free. Presently four of you will blindfold him and lead him as far as the stone heap beyond the quarry. From there he can find his way home. If any one does him the smallest injury, I shall know how to punish it. Remember, you are all responsible for his safety."

Then, sending the men away, he was left alone with Guerra.

"Listen to me, Beppo. I have always had a friendly feeling for you and yours. If I had only myself to consider, I would never have done this. But I have with me two or three hot headed rascals, who know that you're pretty 'easy' and heard that you had brought back a big sum from the city. It was impossible to hold them off. You don't know those fellows. I cannot always do what I would, but when an affair's been decided on I usually continue to be master. Ah! When I saw your wife—who nursed me and taught me to walk—it gave me a nasty twinge. But if I had yielded we should both have been knocked down and beaten to death where we stood."

"Pardon me, Beppo, and pray accept these few pieces—150 francs. Take them as conscience money. Buy something for the wife and children as a souvenir of Fontana, who begs their forgiveness for the injury he has been forced to do them."

A few hours later, when the bandage was removed from his eyes, Beppo found himself at a spot distant about three kilometers from his own house.

Not a great while after this occurrence the band was dispersed and Fontana himself shot dead in a skirmish with the carbineers.

Such was the terror which he had inspired throughout the district that the authorities, suspecting his death would be doubted by the populace, had the corpse lashed to the back of an ass, and for three days the animal was led through the principal villages in the Campagna.

Beppo Guerra never said what he did with the 150 francs which Fontana declared to have expended in presents for Madam and her children. Most probably the wish was respected. Superstition has struck her roots deep in the south. Within two months of Guerra's release Fontana was a dead man, and Beppo would scarcely dare to "cheat" the dead out of his "conscience money."—London Sun.

Church Properties, 1552.

This is from a list of plate ornaments belonging to the church of St. Nicholas, Colchabbey, in the city of London, 1552:

Two candlesticks, copper and gilt, for high altar.
Two great candlesticks of latten.
A great lectern of latten, with five branches to it.
Piece of latten for the pascal.
Two holy water stops of latten.
A branch of latten that stood in the rood loft.
Eleven candlesticks, small, of latten.
Two more standards of latten.
Two latten basins.
Twenty-one latten books.
Seven other latten book that stood before Our Lady and Gabriel.
A beam with five hooks and two chains that hung before Jesus.
Four small candlesticks for quire.
Six bells with Sanctus bell in the steeple.
A pair of organs.—Notes and Queries.

Mouths.

Some mouths look like peaches and cream and some like a hole chopped into a brick wall to admit a new door or window. The mouth is a hotbed of toothaches, the bunghole of oratory and a baby's crowning glory. It is patriotism's fountain head and the tool chest for pie. Without it the politician would be a wanderer on the face of the earth, and the corncrics would go down to an unhonored grave. It is the grocer's friend, the orator's pride and the dentist's hope.—Mammoth Spring Monitor.

A Bit of Finance.

First Tramp—All I have in the world is a counterfeit quarter.

Second Tramp—And all I have is a plugged dime.

Both—Let's hold a monetary conference.—Detroit Free Press.

Itch on human, mange on horses, dogs and all stock, cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport Pa.

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WHAT DO THEY DO WITH IT?

The Mystery of the Greatest Ginseng Demand For Ginseng.

Passing through the wholesale district the other day a reporter stopped at one of the large houses to ask about prices. When ginseng was reached in the list, the dealer said:

"What the Chinese see ginseng for is to the masses one of the mysteries of the age, but that they gobble up every ounce of the herb that the known world supplies is nevertheless a fact. Because the most thorough inquiry has failed to bring about a complete unfolding of the secret, is not regarded by the average American as sufficient reason for refusing from $3 to $5 per pound, on the average, which the Celestial offers for the root. Some of the largest firms in China make a specialty of handling the American export of ginseng and coin money at it. Some of our shrewdest traders have offered for the secret, and have offered money for it, but the gray matter at the other end of the Chinaman's cue doesn't seem to see it that way.

"The American ginseng is growing scarcer yearly. The cultivated root has not the wonderful power which does the value of the wild article—at least it does not manifest itself to the same degree. This fact renders the cultivation of ginseng rather unprofitable. It might be planted and allowed to grow well for years and years and then be salable at good figures, but not otherwise. The older the plant the more pronounced the wonderful properties of the root. In view of the fact that it is growing scarcer, unless the demand diminishes, the price of ginseng must go materially higher within the next few years.

"We encounter some funny experiences in buying the root. The diggers are often the poorest people, and far from enlightened. Well, the root is hard to get, and when it is thoroughly dried the weight shrinks like a nickel's worth of soap after a hard day's washing, so the digger resorts to all sorts of deceptions to fudge an ounce or two in a pound and reap more of the precious dimes and dollars. For instance, we have frequently gotten in root which was well dried, but suspiciously heavy. Upon investigation we found that many of the pieces were loaded with lead, thus almost doubling the weight of the whole lot. This was done with a great deal of cunning and ingenuity. When the root was green, it was split, and lead melted and poured or driven in in slugs. The root was then allowed to dry, and in the process the seams entirely close up, completely hiding the load, which, in a case like this, was almost worth its weight in gold."—Nashville American.

"Miracle Face" on a Tombstone.

In the Oak Hill cemetery, at Stony Brook, N. Y., a large tombstone of mottled Italian marble bears a remarkable portrait of an average sized human face. The picture is not the work of a sculptor, nor has it been graven with the marble cutter's chisel. It is a natural production, the outlines of the face being formed by a peculiar grouping of the clouded veins and dark spots characteristic of first class imported stone. The remarkable peculiarity of this particular stone has been known for two or three years, and throughout the length and breadth of Long Island it is referred to as "the miracle face." Standing near, as one would in reading an epitaph or inspecting the grain and polish of such a memorial shaft, the outlines of the face cannot be traced, but at a distance of from 35 to 50 feet it is as plain as though done with an artist's brush, the grouping of the spots, veins and wavy lines combining to make not only a fair resemblance to a face, but a complete portrait, including hair, eyes, nose, cheeks, mouth, chin, etc. Its outlines are clearest, of course, when the shadows and light play properly upon it, but at the distance mentioned, and in the proper direction, the portrait is plainly visible at all times. The face is on the back of the stone, and the eyes are so set as to appear to be looking down upon the grave of the person to whose memory the shaft was erected.—St. Louis Republic.

HANDLING BOA CONSTRICTORS.

The Trick by Which the Serpents Are Managed Without Danger.

Snake dealers in South America have a fine contempt for their squirming and venomous wares, though it is sometimes difficult to induce ship captains to carry them as freight. The snake dealers handle the boa constrictor with great deftness. This serpent bites, but his bite is not venomous, so that the chief danger to the handler is from the serpent's enormously powerful muscles. The dealers have learned that the boa, to be really dangerous, must have a fulcrum in the shape of something around which he may coil his tail.

The boa is, in fact, a lever in which the ordinary arrangement is power, weight, fulcrum. Knowing this, the dealers drop a soft hat over his head, that he may neither see nor bite, and then snatch him so suddenly from his resting place that he has no opportunity to brace himself by seizing a fixed object with his tail. After that the essential thing is to see that he is not brought within distance of any such object.

A snake dealer on a Brazilian steamer the other day was occupied in transferring his boas from one box to another. He opened the box an instant, dropped a hat over the head of one of the creatures, snatched it from its fellows, and rushing across the deck dropped it into the other box. The thing looked so easy that a deck hand, waiting until the snake owner's back was turned, essayed to repeat the act. He neglected to use the hat, and with a yell yanked a great snake from the box with its fangs fixed in his fingers. Not daring to let go, yet fearing to hold on, he began whirling the snake about his head, meanwhile dancing madly over the deck. The snake man managed to capture the reptile and box it in security. Then somebody expressed concern for the rash deck hand, to which the snake owner answered:

"What, him? He's all right. But think of my snake! It's worth $6 at that rate!"—New York Sun.

Young Man (boastfully)—I am going to cross the Atlantic in this 20 foot boat with no companion but this dog. Good-by, friends—

Humane Officer—I must stop you, sir.

"Stop me? And what for, pray?"

"Humanity!"—

"Humanity! Haven't I a right to risk my life if I?"

"Oh, that's all right, but I must interfere. The dog can't go."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Only 27 per cent of the capital of this country is owned by men holding between $100,000 worth and $1,000,000 worth of property.

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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

For Treasurer
THOMAS R. CLARK,
of Bradford City

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

[illegible] PA. June 19, 1895

To the Republicans Electors of Pennsylvania: I have been informed by the Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania, by their duly authenticated organization at Harrisburg, that I received a majority of the votes cast at the primary election held in the several districts of the State, on August 20th, 1895, for the nomination of the candidate for State Treasurer, and I do hereby announce myself as a candidate for that office before the ensuing State Convention, and if I am nominated and elected, I will faithfully perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability. I will also support the nominations made by the Republican State Convention, and the Republican County Conventions of the several counties of the State.

D. F. [illegible]

THE Pittsburg *Times* of Wednesday says, "Hurrah for Philadelphia. Can it be possible that the *Times* has decided Dilkeson and is throwing its hat in the air for Quay? It certainly sounds that way

THEO ROOSEVELT keeps right on enforcing the Sunday law passed several years ago by the Democratic legislature, but not intended for enforcement. The consequence is that the Philadelphia Sabbatites are a 1 spitting cotton on the Sabbath.

HON HENRY JOHNSON, one of the oldest members of the Lycoming bar, died at Williamsport a short time since at the advanced age of 86 years. He was admitted to the bar at Williamsport in 1831. Mr. Johnson had been prominent in Pennsylvania politics having been a presidential elector in 1840 State Senator in 1861 and a delegate to the national Republican convention held at Baltimore in 1864

THE beautiful theory of free trade is fully given by *Bradstreet's* which shows that we imported $67,300,000 more goods in the first seven months of 1895 than we did in the first seven months of 1894. Any farmer knows that if he has to buy more than he can raise on his farm he is not getting rich very fast. Just so with Uncle Sam if he imports more than he exports he is a loser at the end of the year will show very poor management

THE most critical display of attempted brain work found in this week's issue of *Bradstreet*, assailing one of the management of this paper, would almost cause a wooden cigar sign to smile. Mr Seibert calls attention to the fact that we are trying to run McKean county politics. Political matters here will adjust themselves. But while political managers are in our midst we'll just call attention to the fact that a certain attorney in Potter of Democratic proclivities was at one time chairman of the county committee and remained in that position until he was kicked out body and breeches. He would not take a hint to vacate but waited to be kicked out, and his old time renowned popularity is no more. His own party seem afraid to trust him. Speaking of inheritances on chair bottoms, if there ever was any one more fitted for such an occupation than Seibert, they are deserving of a pension. It is very poor policy for such a man as Seibert to reflect upon even the smallest of God's creatures. He could sadly be answered in his own small-humming-bird style, but we refrain as he is of the cuttle-fish specie, and it would only tend to besmirch everyone who comes in contact with him with his inky vials of wrath.

THE long drawn and bitter fight between Philadelphia, Pittsburg and the State at large, between good government and the corrupt policy of the combine is virtually ended, and Senator Quay is crowned with the laurels. The Martinet order Negro segregation, whereby Corporal Dilkeson as a tail to the kite is laid in the dust while the brain and unconcilient form of Governor Hastings is bowed in sorrow, owing to the fact that the honest voters of the State would not allow Gil Dixon and the corrupt Philadelphia politicians to control our next Republican State convention. Quay has gone before the people of the State in an honorable way and made a square fight for honest government and the people have conferred him. It is to be hoped that the Governor will have foresight enough to see that his official career which was launched at the beginning of the year with much eclat in a sound seaworthy condition has been battered about on the rocks of contention and strife until it has become entirely unseaworthy and should go to the dry dock for repairs. Let him cut loose from his evil counsellors and seek safety with those who have his best interests at heart. Attorney General McCormick saved Lycoming county for the combine, and the appointment of the superior court judges is a few more delegates in line but it was only by a scratch that it carried any of the county delegates for Dilkeson

THE imports were valued at $165,069,683, which represents an increase of over $67,000,000 as compared with seven months of 1894. For the seven months ending with July the imports exceeded the exports in value by $21,-60,823, whereas during the seven months ending with July 1894 the exports exceeded the imports by $53,-1 709. This shifting of the excess in the export to the import side of the account shows a continuance of the tendency disclosed by the treasury statistics for the last two fiscal years. During the fiscal year ending with June, 1895 the exports showed an excess of value over the imports, as did the figures for the preceding year but the excess was very much diminished in amount, and now it has shifted to the other side of the account. The figures for the seven months show, as do the figures for July, when compared with last year, a gradual increase in the amount of dutiable as compared with duty free imports. The figures for the seven months of 1894 showed that the duty free imports were $81,-000,000, in round numbers, in excess of the dutiable in value, while the figures for the seven months of 1895 show an excess in value of dutiable over duty-free imports amounting to over $37 00,000 *Brooklyn Ex*

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Quay Victorious!

The Hog Combine Not in it Anywhere!

PHILADELPHIA DECIDES IT!

MAYOR WARWICK DEFEATED IN HIS OWN WARD BY QUAY MEN. THE SENATOR CAPTURES 35 DELEGATES IN PHILADELPHIA CITIZENS BOLT THE COMBINE LEADERS THIS SET THE CHAIR WARMED FIGHT

The result of the primaries in Philadelphia last Tuesday night was a big victory for Senator Quay and his his friends who came out of the fight with 22 delegates pledged to the Senator It was a greater victory than

SENATOR MATTHEW S. QUAY.

was looked for. The supporters of the Combine were thoroughly disheartened and retired to their homes at an early hour while the Quay men, on the contrary, were wild with enthusiasm and paraded the streets with bands of music and fireworks. The *Inquirer* gives the following Quay districts, with the number of delegates from each

First ward	1
Second	1
Third	1
Fourth	2
Fifth	1
Seventh	2
Eighth	1
Fifteenth	2
Twenty fourth and thirty fourth	4
Twenty seventh	2
Thirteen	2
Total	22

Careful estimates give the assurance that Senator Quay will go to the convention with a majority of 50, and probably more

Speaking of the Fifteenth ward fight which is Mayor Warwick's home the *Times* says "In Mayor Warwick's ward the Fifteenth, every inch of ground was hotly contested. The Mayor recognized the fact that if he lost his own ward, he would be discredited as a party leader. The Mayor, however, met his Waterloo at the hands of Alexander Crow Jr., under whose leadership twenty six of the forty three divisions were carried against the combine. The Mayor's friends had majorities in only fifteen divisions, and there are contests in two divisions, which are claimed by both sides."

It was generally understood at Harrisburg that the Philadelphia primaries would settle the question and when the report reached the capital it spread consternation in the combine quarters. As Senator Quay was never conceeded over 10 delegates in Philadelphia, the prevailing opinion is that the city combines are driven to wall. Thus ends one of the bitterest fights for party control ever witnessed in Pennsylvania.

SEN QUAY'S GREAT LEGION WORK

The platform or declaration of principles announced by Senator Quay the other day has naturally attracted wide attention and excited much interest. In this declaration Senator Quay gathered together within the compass of four paragraphs the principles which have moved the people of Pennsylvania, almost as one body, to spring to his support

The voters of Pennsylvania have understood with a clearness of judgment that has been little less than remarkable, that deep down at the bottom of the present contest was the question whether the corporations should hereafter name the Governors, Senators and judges for Pennsylvania, as they already name the officials of adjoining States. Boldly it was proposed to the people that they should strike down a strong man with more influence in the national councils than any Pennsylvanian has ever possessed since the constitution was adopted, a man capable of standing squarely upon his own feet and of acting as a bulwark against corporate aggression upon our political system, and that the people should substitute for him a set of small men of no particular attainments or achievements, possessing no knowledge of even their own State, who would be simply the creatures and agents of the corporations which inspired the present politicalwar. The people have taken the proposition in all its hideous nakedness and they have turned from it with disgust and alarm to stand by the man who is able to stand by them

Senator Quay's declaration is against the corporate control of legislatures and city councils and against many other political abuses of the time. He pledges himself to the great work of reform. Remembering the city rings and State capital lobbies that broke up years ago, the people are ready to believe in his ability to perform what he promises. They will be with him in the fight when the present contest is over. There will be no war to destroy, but corporations formed for business purposes must be taught to keep hands off of politics or Pennsylvanians will soon be slaves. —*Inquirer*

DUN'S REPORT.

It is a belated season a frozen May set everything back. The heavy business which ought to have been done in May and June was pushed into July so that the midsummer decline in mid July comes in August. With this in mind one is not surprised to find the shrinkage from July to August rather more conspicuous than usual. Financial events are used in speculative mark to create apprehension. Exports of gold have continued this week, and while the situation has depended enough in the treasury to keep the reserve intact, the impression grows that another sale of bonds may be made. Exports are falling below last year's, in two weeks of August $1,300,000 or 20 per cent, while imports show a small increase of 5 1-2 per cent. Governments receipts for half of August are $7,181,336 less than expenses. The disappointing crop reports of last Saturday, though evidently distrusted, lessen confidence in regard to the future of trade, even while some speculators gain by them.

Back of all doubts is the fact that the industries are doing better than anybody could have expected. The output of pig iron August 1st was 180,-223 tons weekly, or 176,505 by another report, in either case close to the largest output in 1893, though surpassed 16,000 tons in the spring of 1892. Unsold stocks are 98,078 tons smaller, the great steel companies having made heavy purchases in advance of needs, but the actual consumption is large, and prices rise in the face of the increasing output. eBessemer iron is $14.15 at Pittsburg, plates have advanced $1 per ton, though other prices are in some cases shaded at the east. The average of prices for iron products has risen 2 per cent. in August, following 13 1 2 in July and 13 in June. The sales of steel rails in 1895 to August 1st were 620,000 tons, and the deliveries 382 000. Wages in this industry have been generally advanced and strikes are few, though the Marquette iron miners have decided to make a long fight. Minor metals change little though large sales lift Lake copper to 12 1 4 cents. Window glass moves largely at the recent advance, and a new plate glass list is announced. Coke is a shade lower, and coal continues demoralized, with sales below at $2 50 notwithstanding rumors that settlement is near

SILVER.

We do not claim to be anything of a politician, or to know much more about the more complicated questions of finance than the cobbler which the old Dutch Governor of New York Peter Stuyvesant, once found burrowing his fellow citizens, and told that if he ever caught him again in that business he would flay him alive and tan his hide for drumheads, that he might thereafter make noise to some purpose

But if these attempts to make silver as good as gold are to result in paying all wages, debts, salaries, saving bank deposits, &c., &c., in a currency worth only about fifty cents on a dollar, then it seems to us that a great many poor people and people in moderate circumstances will be likely to suffer

Everybody who has anything to sell will of course double his prices.

The farmer will of course get nominally twice as much for his wheat and pay twice as much for everything he has to buy

Butter will be sixty cents a pound instead of thirty railroad fares and hotel bills twice as much as they now are and other things in proportion, and unless all wages and salaries throughout the entire country are doubled, which will be a difficult thing to accomplish, people who depend on wages and salaries will it seems to us, find a currency which requires two dollars to buy what is now bought for one a mighty poor thing

Doubtless we might make hard coal horses shoes or fish hooks a legal currency but foreign nations would not care to take it and we should find it somewhat difficult to carry about as daily a sufficient quantity to pay our daily bills.—*Geo F Angell*

A LARGE balance on the wrong side of the ledger is shown by the figures of government receipts and expenditures for the first half of the month of August. The receipts amounted to a little over $14 000 000 and if they should continue at the same rate the total for the month would be about the same as for July. The expenditures for the period in question amounted to over $21 100 000, or almost as much and a half as the receipts. If this rate should be kept up which seems unlikely the expenditures for the month would be 50 per cent in excess of the receipts, and a larger deficit would be shown for August than for July. Up to the middle of August the deficit amounted to over $16 600 000, but this rate is not likely to be kept up during the remainder of the year.—*Brad-street's*

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LITERARY NOTES.

THE late Lieutenant Schwatka, noted as an explorer and author, wrote entertainingly of the far north and its people. Among his manuscripts now has been found entitled "Stonnington in the Arctic." This appears in the *Sunday School Times* of August 24. It tells of the Eskimos's summer pleasures and employments, and much else that is of interest concerning the every-day life of that people. 1021 Walnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Last Tuesday afternoon a young Assyrian peddler (name unknown) entered the house of Mrs. John Greeley, just above Crosby. Mrs. Greeley has a son, Theodore, and a nephew, Malley, living with her. It seems that they bought some trifles of the peddler and handed him a five-dollar bill. The peddler claims he had two five-dollar bills and some silver, amounting to about $11, he also claims that when they saw his money they took it from him hustling him out doors so rapidly that they hurt his check by slamming the door against his face. The peddler came to town and told his story to Dick Atty Gorton, who, in company with Sheriff Walker went to the premises. They found the house unoccupied, but the doors were not locked, the peddler's two satchels standing inside. Soon Malley Greeley came, and Mr Gorton questioned the young man, who stated that they made some purchases of the peddler and gave him a five-dollar bill afterwards some words arose and the peddler went away, saying he would have them arrested. The mother and Theodore came soon after and told substantially the same story. Here are three against one. The peddler claims that some perfume and other small articles were taken from his pack while it remained in the Greeley house. The peddler took his goods and chattels and went to Olean where he claims to have friends who can speak English. If such is the case there will undoubtedly be an investigation, when some startling disclosures may be made.

WOMAN'S COMMISSION

A Notice to the Ladies of McKean County and Vicinity

The Pennsylvania Commission to the United States Exposition at Atlanta desire to make a good showing of work in a work at the exposition. The time is limited, as all exhibits must be forwarded as soon as possible. Any person in possession of a fine article specimen of work or anything pertaining thereto will please communicate with the undersigned at once, stating what they will possess to [illegible] Any person who has executed an article worthy of exhibition, such as oil painting, [illegible] work, painted successfully, lamp, lace, rare china, furniture, [illegible] etc., is requested to send a description of the same to

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[illegible] Look BOOK, A WINDOW [illegible] at HOLMES & GLEASON

[illegible] College Warrant [illegible] to the leading business [illegible] in all the counties [illegible] Ballot printing Sept [illegible]

Have you seen those FANCY [illegible] at HOLMES & GLEASON

[illegible] Lot of [illegible] with modern [illegible] and a half an acre of [illegible] Inquire of A. B. [illegible] Co-Operative or at this office

[illegible] Commercial Miller [illegible] Ballard at German Mills for [illegible] Best seed grown

[illegible] Nougats

[illegible] thick candy [illegible] with [illegible] Fountain pens very cheap [illegible] Most of these [illegible] dollars [illegible] the Day [illegible] the 20th

BACKET

CAL AND GENERAL

[illegible] this paper to your neighbor [illegible] Get [illegible] with your fall advertising

[illegible] Gartrell took examinations [illegible] Court house on Friday last.

If you want up-to-date printing [illegible] your work to the MINER office

Palmer & Jones have sold 10 mowing machines and [illegible] this season

Judgment notes, loose and bound, at [illegible] also a full line of legal blanks.

Terrence Halpine of Bradford, was [illegible] jail on Tuesday on the charge [illegible] Lunacy.

[illegible] exchange has decided that all the [illegible] stage at 1 that the doctors are [illegible] two—both ways.

Israel Smith was given a hearing [illegible] Knapp Friday at 11 o'clock [illegible] in default of $1000

[illegible] was unavoidably detained [illegible] Epworth in the Baptist church [illegible] day as was announced last week

[illegible] Services at the jail on [illegible] room quite a number being [illegible] W. Halliwell was the [illegible]

[illegible] the advertisements in this paper [illegible] something that [illegible] be able to get it at reasonable [illegible]

Frank Bates was committed to jail [illegible] night on the charge of assault and [illegible] on the person of Cora Smith, both [illegible] all.

About $14 was realized by the Port [illegible] band at their baby show [illegible] So far as learned the judges [illegible] Dalton

[illegible] age not given in neat books of 50 [illegible] each can be procured at this office. When in need of anything in this line remember that the MINER is always headquarters.

—Found, a pair of gloves near the Wright House last Sunday night. Owner can have same by calling at this office.

—The heavy wind of Sunday night tore down the fruit rack of J. W. Walkinshaw and distributed cucumbers and other garden "sass" along Main street.

—Hoskins, Potter Co., is putting on airs since the tannery started up. They have gone to drilling and lately struck gas in large quantities. The next will be a grand roll well

—The August number of the "Monthly Gem," published by the Hitchcock Publishing House, 365 Sixth Ave., N. Y., is filled with choice musk from cover to cover Sample copies 15c

—One of our liberal hearted citizens gave Mrs. J. W. Sanborn $300 to apply on the new organ at the M. E. church last week Such gifts go on the right side of the ledger book of life

—Last Tuesday Commissioner Hungerville was offering county lands very cheaply but his stock in trade must have been a very poor article, as he failed to get many bidders at any price.

—The case of commonwealth vs. W. H. Forbes mention of which was made in last week's MINER, was settled last Saturday by defendant paying costs. Everything is now serene in that quarter.

—The Rev. Mr. Brinkley, an evangelist minister, has been holding revival services at Wrights for some time and meeting with considerable success. He does no minor matters, but says a pot is generally black.

—The Renovo base ball club will play here sometime next week Do not fail to see this game as it will be one of the most interesting of the season The Renovo boys always play ball to win, if possible

On Tuesday last John Gibbs and Claude English invested rather heavily in land at the commissioner's sale They purchased 100 acres of land at one cent an acre They are undoubtedly going to start a skunk farm

The streets of Centerport are partially lighted by electricity They have about half enough light If the council would place a good arc light on the head of the gold mine pole on the court house it would furnish more light for the town than all those in use now

In a number of our exchanges we notice that the school boards of the different towns advertise the advantages of their schools and this is drawn in many pupils from the outside districts Why would it not be a good plan for the Smethport board to follow this example

—Lightning struck a wire near the depot at East Smethport last Saturday night and for a few minutes it made the employees of the station hustle to extinguish the flames which were caused by the wire igniting a lot of paper lying upon the table No particular damage was done however

A basket and necktie social will be held at the residence of M. C. Caskey at Farmers Valley on Aug 27 for the benefit of Rev. L. A. McIntyre. Each lady is to be invited to bring an untrimmed basket or hat and trimmings, for the same. Everybody is invited to come and have a good time

—Last Monday Samuel Hendrickson of Colegrove was brought before Squire Knapp on a charge of assault and battery on Andrew Lundquist, of same place. After a hearing by advice of the judge, a settlement was reached by the defendant paying costs. Harmony now holds sway in that section

—The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg R. R. will run an excursion from Punxsutawney over its line to Rochester, and thence over the New York Central to Boston on Aug 26. Those contemplating taking in the 25th triennial conclave of the Knights Templar at Boston in August to 30 should take advantage of this excursion

—The funeral of the 7 August Otto son who died from injuries received at Gifford's mill on Wednesday of last week was held on Saturday last The interment was made at Rose Hill cemetery The services were conducted by the Odd Fellows to which order he belonged The deceased was a very estimable young man

Chauncey Stebbrook of Sawyer City was lodged in jail last Saturday as crazy and crazy he must have been as it was impossible to keep a stitch of cloth on him while he stayed there He tore a mattress to pieces and scattered straw all over his cell and in the corridor of the jail Com. Hungerville and Constable Ryan took the unfortunate man to Warren on Monday

—You cannot spend the day happier than to go to Buffalo on Monday Sept 2 and see the big parade of the labor unions in the forenoon and then attend the bicycle meet at the driving park in the afternoon under the management of the Rambler's bicycle club Johnson, Sawyer, Tyler, Starbeck, O'Connor, Welling, Fuhrman and all the fastest men in the world will ride. It will be a great afternoon of rare sport.

—A terrible hail storm passed over a portion of this county last Sunday night starting at or near Custer City and traveling in the direction of Wrights Corners, Farmers Valley and Port Allegany. Not only hail but chunks of ice six inches in circumference fell Reports from various sections state that crops are ruined, potatoes, corn and oats being almost an entire failure where the hail fell Several houses at Farmers Valley had the windows all broken.

—The pipe organ placed in the M. E. church last week has given entire satisfaction The price first named was $750 but Tyron & Healy placed it in the church for $600 and have guaranteed to keep the organ in good shape for a period of 5 years. $413 has already been paid and all but $50 have been subscribed. Mrs. Sanborn feels sanguine that the balance will be secured soon, and wishes to publicly thank through the MINER all who so liberally subscribed towards the organ

—There are more than 4,000 known languages in the world, says an exchange and yet we fail to find words to adequately express our opinion of any man who will take a county paper for more than three years and then quietly move to some other place giving the postmaster no directions to say to the editor "moved away, address not known." While it is true that for the present his postoffice address is not now known to us, his future location is known to every newspaper man who has had dealings with that sort of men

—A "tilted" printer contributes the following interesting paragraph to the Lebanon (Ill.) *Journal* The lady (?) who yesterday called the attention of another to our patched breeches, whereat they both laughed so heartily, is informed that a new pair will be purchased when her husband's bill is settled. It has been due nearly a year Don't criticise a printer's dress too closely while you are wearing silk with money due us. Tell your husband to send us $40.78 and save the cost of a law suit. We need another pair of pants.

—One of our young men received a mitten one day this week that he will cherish in fond remembrance for a long time.

—Fred Lyman, the engineer on the B. B. & K., has been sick for over a week, but will be able to resume his duties by Monday next.

—We are informed that the Renovo, Olean and Austin Clubs are arranging to play ball here in the near future. Austin will be here next week Friday

—Austin and Port Allegany business men played a game of ball at Port Allegany on Tuesday which resulted in a score of 25 to 3. in favor of Port Allegany

—John McCarty's little boy, of Ormsby who was bitten on the left cheek by a dog some three weeks since, is improving nicely. There will be a scar on the boy's face, but no further trouble is anticipated

—Mrs. Eugenia Hamlin and Mrs. D. C. Young will give a parish tea from 5 to 8 o'clock Thursday afternoon, Aug 29, at St. Luke's rectory for the benefit of the parish house fund Supper 25c All are invited.

—Four carloads of people went to Bradford on Thursday, including the band and hose company, the latter of which were dressed in their new uniforms and will take part in the parade of Northwestern Firemen.

—Over 200 of the Sunday school scholars of St. Luke's Episcopal church here and at East Smethport, picnicked in the grove at Farmers Valley Wednesday They all had a happy time and, like the feast in the wilderness, there was plenty left.

—A. T. Palmer lost a horse on Tuesday evening Carl Modorff had been over to Marshburg and other points in that vicinity with C. H. Swift, the Olean Musk Company agent, and when coming home just above town the horse dropped dead

—On the evening of Aug 28 from 6:30 to 8 come to the vacant building near the iron bridge, at the corner of Mechanic and Willow streets. A pie supper will be served by the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church Only 15 cts. for a good substantial supper

—Mrs. Will Gifford and Miss Nellie Roberts will give a lawn tea Saturday evening Aug 31th on Gifford's lawn on King street. Proceeds to be given to Mrs. J. W. Sanborn to apply on the new church organ A pleasant evening is assured and all are cordially invited

—Galeton Potter Co. will soon have a bank. W. D. Van Horn, of Wellsboro, William O'Conner of Morris, a prominent lumberman and Henry W. Lush, of Galeton will be the firm comprising the new bank There certainly is business enough in the bustling little town to require a bank May it prove a success.

—There has been considerable talk about our home team losing the game with Austin last week We are credibly informed that the principle cause of the poor work in the game was the absence of two men who played prominent positions In fact, the team was not in shape, by reason of the above circumstances, to play ball

—Last Monday about one o'clock as one of our landlords was standing in front of his hotel a disciple of John Barleycorn" attempted to ascend the steps, when the proprietor said to him "Do not come up, you have no business here." The man tried to look up, but lost his balance and went over backwards, rolling at least 12 feet before he went over into the gutter Then he had to roll over twice before he could arise, and a more crestfallen piece of humanity it would be hard to find

—Last Wednesday night in the eastern part of the town there occured an Armenian scrap that would fay the Corbett-Fitzsimmons battle in the shade. One woman went to a neighbors house to complain about some trouble the kids were in This woman was cleaning the floor after a war of words she hit her visitor across the face with the mop, knocking her out of doors Then they went at it with fists pounding blind and [illegible] Finally they [illegible] to [illegible] neutral pitched battle was called and [illegible] about 20 minutes till a neutral woman came and separated the belligerents

A most exciting game of ball was played at Keating last Sunday between the Schwartz of that place and the Clermont Giants resulting in a victory of 21 to 8 for the last named team The Clermont team were dressed in regulation base ball costume A gentleman who passed through Clermont on Sunday last said there were only two people left in town, one was blind and the other could not walk The best part of the whole proceeding was that the Kushequa team had a pitcher with whom they were not satisfied so they discharged him and secured one from home The Clermont management secured the discharged pitcher and went over to Kushequa and he pounded the daylight out of his former team A gentleman who was present says there was an immense crowd in attendance something less than 1,000

—Tuesday morning A. W. Colegrove with three ladies had rather an exciting experience at the railroad crossing at Crosby Just as he was going to drive across the track the engine used as a pusher shoved a train of cars up towards his team and Mr. Colegrove was compelled to pull his team back and the cars passed under the horses heads. This was rather a perilous position to be in as both horses were afraid of the cars. One of the ladies, with great presence of mind, jumped out and began to pet the horses, which had a tendency to quiet them somewhat, giving Mr. Colegrove an opportunity to get out and secure a firm hold of their bits. The party was compelled to remain there for about 15 minutes before they could get out of the precarious situation The railroad company should be compelled to station a man at the crossing when they are switching cars to avoid trouble

—Some time ago we had the pleasure of meeting a genuine mother in law at She has several grown-up children, as well as grandchildren. She is possessed of that lovable disposition that makes everyone who meets her the happier for the intercourse, and while holding a few moments conversation with the above lady the thought arose in our mind, how fortunate are the children who can call such a true woman mother If all women would imitate this mother in their actions toward their children there would be less bad boys and girls throughout our land. She has, like Mary of old, "sat at the feet of Jesus and learned of Him." There is hardly a reader of the MINER in the county who has not either met or heard of this lady. She is possessed of great wealth, but that is as nothing compared with the lovable disposition she possesses. There is no question but that if the world and all its glory were hers, she would remain the same kind and lovely woman that she is to-day. May she live long to be a comfort and gratification to her children, grandchildren and many friends.

Fine Concert.

Last Monday evening Col. and Mrs. Rogers threw their spacious parlors open for the visitors who came to listen to the rich musical treat given by St. Luke's choir for the benefit of the parish house. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers had spared no pains to make their beautiful home attractive. Flowers and potted plants were placed about in profusion, and with the advantage of connecting rooms, a large company was pleasantly entertained. At eight o'clock the handsome ladies of our town richly attired, with their well-dressed escorts, began to arrive and by half-past eight the rooms were well filled by as fine a looking audience as could be found anywhere.

The "Bridal Chorus" was rendered by a full choir, and it satisfied the assemblage that a rich treat was in store for them Miss Lulu Keenan followed with a piano solo, "Cujus Animam," by Rosina-Liszt, which was well applauded The soprano solo, "'Twas April," sang by Miss Alice McCoy was well rendered and applauded. The recitation, "Little Servoose's Bible," by Miss Lucy Backus, was greatly appreciated by the entire audience and she was highly encored, and then recited "Baby a Slumberland" so beautifully that it clearly demonstrated she was an artist in that line. The soprano solo, "Eternamente," sang by Miss Cora Mason, received well merited applause. The semi-chorus was well rendered. The duett, "Stars of the Summer Night," by Dudley Buck sung by Mrs. Bosworth and Dr McCoy, could only result in pleasure to the audience when rendered by two such artists in music as the above named. The trio "When I Am Gone From Thee," sung by Dr. H. L. and Misses Grace and Agnes McCoy, resulted in an encore that brought the sweetest piece of the evening, when Miss Agnes sang "Sleep, Baby, Sleep," the audience being completely enraptured by the sweet voice of the young singer The chorus, "Anchored" closed the vocal part of the entertainment and was highly appreciated by all present Mr. Crawford favored the audience with "Novelette in F" by Schumann, which received well merited applause The company was then treated to excellent ice cream and cake followed by social chat and pleasant exchange of thought, which kept the company interested for a considerable time We have heard many who were present express themselves freely and say that they never attended a finer entertainment of the kind

The Tribbys Win

The second game in the series between the Trilbys and the Stars at Hamlin Park last Saturday afternoon resulted in a victory for the Trilbys, Score 17 to 10 The game was hotly contested up to the ninth inning when with the score 10 and 10 the Trilbys went to the bat. Jeff Mayo was removed and Craig Rose substituted for the Stars at this period which change proved very fortunate—for the Trilbys Craig was very wild, and sent several men to first on balls. At the end of this inning the Trilbys had scored 7 unearned runs The Stars did not score in their half of the inning and the game resulted as above The kids play good ball "Zeke" McCabe "Ike" Rubin, "Sleepy" Morrison Rex Gorton and Scott Redfield were very much in evidence The gate receipts, which amounted to $2 40 were divided the winners taking three-fourths and the losing team the remaining sixty cents. It may be news to some people to know that "the old boss," Tom Young, is manager of the Trilbys.

Don't You Hear dem Bells!

Last Wednesday afternoon Comrade Ryan requested Rev. J. H. McCandless to accompany him home, as Mrs. R. had made up his mind to adopt a young man into his family and thought a little ministerial advice would be of great benefit to the young man at the commencement Mr. McCandless kindly consented but when he arrived there he found the old fool let alone there were needing advice instead of one, as the Rector made short work of the whole business by simply doubling them up, and he united the 3 as one hands ready that every one present was highly elated over the occasion The happy couple are Rev. Ryan and the handsome daughter of Capt. Ryan Miss Josephine The MINER extends congratulations and hopes their matrimonial voyage may be both a long and happy one

Naming the Twins

An exchange tells that a good story was heard the other day in a father and mother who were trying to find names for their twin babies, who by the way were girls. It was decided that the father must name them After casting about and finding no names that exactly suited him he determined to end the strain on his mind and name them late and Duplicate. In the course of time another pair of twins came and they were boys. This was the husband's turn to get even and he wanted his wife to christen the boys. Imagine his feelings when the mother one day told him she had named them Peter and Repeat. But when the third pair came the father grew frightened and named them Max and Climax

East Smethport vs. Irish Hollow

The East Smethport sluggers and the Irish Hollow giants crossed bats at the former place on Sunday last. Each side had several "ringers," but East Smethport was clearly out of it from the first. The two home runs of John Quirk and the fielding of young Stull were features of the game. Score 29 to 19 in favor of the giants

Piano and Organ Recital

At the M. E. church Wednesday evening Sept. 11th there will be given a recital under the direction of Mrs. J. W. Sanborn. Proceeds to go toward the new organ

List of Letters

remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending Aug 17, 1895

Anderson, Mr Lewis Nichols, Miss Harriet N Banks Miss Hattie

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Mr. A. A. Snyder, Supt. Poor Farm, Winneshiek Co., Ia., says—Last winter Mr. Robert Leach used two boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve and cured a large running sore on his leg. Had been under care of physician for months with out obtained relief. Sure cure for Piles. A. W. Colegrove.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

A. T. Palmer visited Bradford Monday.

J. W. Bonton drove to Bradford Wednesday.

Lawrence Bayer, of Clermont, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. E. M. Kerns went to Bradford Tuesday night.

Miss Verna Hafner visited friends at Mt. Alton this week

Mrs. Harry Hall and children went to Bradford Tuesday

Judge Henry Hamlin made a hurried visit to Olean Monday.

Miss May Rogers of Bradford, is a guest of Miss Redfield.

Miss Rose Grumbine returned home from Warren last Friday.

A. N. Crandall, of Coudersport, paid Portville a visit Monday.

Miss Edie Backer returned to her home in Boston on Saturday last

Fred McElroy arrived Wednesday for a ten days' visit among friends.

Barnet McNally of Turtle Point, was visiting at T. H. Purtle's last week.

F. F. Freligh, of the Pittsburg *Dispatch* was a pleasant caller last Friday.

Art Mitchell left Tuesday evening for a two weeks' visit with Bradford friends.

John Gibbs and Claude English, of Ludlow were here on business Tuesday.

W. P. Beckwith and wife, of Farmers Valley are visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. John Shippard and son Willie, of Fort Erie, Can., are visiting W. H. C. Wells'.

Candidate J. H. Fate, and H. L. Stoner, of Hazelhurst, were in town Tuesday.

Warley Gifford returned home from Philadelphia last Friday for a visit with his family.

T. F. Richmond and wife and H. M. Coleman and wife went to Bradford on Wednesday

Chet King and daughter, Miss Rose drove over from Port Allegany on Sunday last

Misses Maude and Madge Rifle visited with Norwich friends the latter part of last week

Mrs. L. W. Mason and Miss Cora have gone for an extended visit to Buffalo and other points.

Miss Lee Knapp returned Saturday evening from a two weeks visit in Rochester N. Y.

Miss Anna Brandt returned from a extended visit among Hornellsville friends last Friday

Mrs. Mary Flaney of Buffalo, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Apple for sometime.

F. I. Andrews, of Coudersport, and M. I. Shurtz, of Port Allegany, were in town Wednesday

Mace Hillbridge, of Port Allegany was over Tuesday investing in some Mckean county real estate.

Morris Hungerford and family of Sawyer City were guests of relatives in town over Sunday.

Attorney F. L. Baldwin, of Austin was here on Circuit last Saturday and visited friends over Sunday.

Mrs. T. M. Purtle, Marie and Miss Lottie McNally went to Turtle Point Monday to visit relatives.

Mrs. A. F. Palmer and niece, Miss Hattie are in New York State for a two weeks visit among friends.

Last night Miss Harriett Redfield and Paul Hamlin gave a select party to their friends at the opera house

Misses Ethel and Bessie Sartwell, of Olean arrived Tuesday night to visit their many friends and relatives.

Misses Bachel and Ida Rubin and Miss Ida Goldring went to Kane Monday for several days visit among friends.

Hon. Robt. H. Ross, of Binghamton, N. Y., has been circulating among his many friends here during the week.

Mrs. Murray Greer and daughter accompanied Murray as far as Eldred Monday while on his way to Emporium

Will Saunders, of Coudersport, arrived Tuesday on his wheel having come from Wellsville in 1 hours and 15 minutes

Mrs. Will Gifford entertained friends Wednesday evening in honor of her guests, the Misses Hacket, of Emporium.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Ragnau and little daughter, Mary, were guests at the Wright House the early part of the week.

C. L. Smart, of Renovo, accompanied his brother, L. E., back to Smethport on Saturday last and remained over Sunday.

Commissioner Frank Foster visited Galeton last week with a view of locating at the new lumber hub of Potter county.

Rev. F. A. Stevenson, a former pastor of the Episcopal church here, now of Foxburg, has been visiting former friends here.

Miss Alice Wright of Renovo, and Miss Shurtz of Port Allegany, spent Sunday with Misses Lucy and Elda Wright.

Rev. G. W. Halliwell and family drove to Clermont Monday and plunkeded along the route They report a very pleasant time

Mrs. Harriett Samuels of Coudersport, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Colegrove, of this place will soon move to Boston to make her home in the future

Mrs. R. B. Howard, a granddaughter of Mrs. J. W. Colegrove and Mrs. M. H. Harris, both of Boston arrived Monday for a visit among relatives and friends

J. G. Malm of Colegrove, was a pleasant caller Wednesday Mr. Malm is one of those men who believe in helping the poor printer May more follow his example.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sanborn entertained a party of friends Tuesday night in honor of Foster Studholme, of Hamilton Canada, who is employed in the store of H. C. Wells.

Rex and Sheridan Gorton Jr., started on their wheels for Buffalo at 6 o'clock on Wednesday morning, intending to make the century run by 5 o'clock the same day

C. A. Dickenson, of the Recorder's office, went to Bradford on Wednesday, Charles started early to be in time to run with the boys. He is a sprinter from way back.

Editor Lindsley started Wednesday night for Corning via Bradford He will visit Scranton, Wilkes Barre and other points of interest in the eastern part of the State before he returns.

Fred Gallup entertained a party of friends on Tuesday evening in honor of his class mate, Charles Buell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been here about two weeks and will return home to-day.

Col. J. C. Breneman starts to-morrow for York, Pa., to visit his old home and also relatives in Lancaster On Wednesday he will be in Harrisburg tossing his hat and shouting for Quay.

On Wednesday of last week Mesdames Morrison, Forrest, Gallup, McCoy, Merrill, Smith, Gifford and Miss Sartwell took their lunches and picnicked in the grove at Palmerville. A good time was had by all Several of the ladies returned via Clermont.

Senator and Mrs. Brannon returned from their European trip the early part of the week. The Senator feels very much improved in health, which will be very pleasant news to his host of friends throughout this section.

Rev. J. H. Stoody, pastor of the Kendall M. E. church was in town Wednesday making arrangements for an excursion to Chautauqua Lake to-morrow to leave Bradford at 8.30 a. m. If a sufficient number from here can be secured rates from here will be two dollars to the lake and return.

Editor Casky, of the Austin *Autograph* and his better-half Sundayed at Ceres. Mr. Caskey and Editor Laymon must have been settling the relative merits of Austin and Port Allegany ball teams with a base ball, as Bro. Caskey is wearing his right optic in a beautiful coat of blue, which he alleges was caused by being hit by a ball.

Judge B. L. Knapp and wife started for Bradford yesterday. To-day they start for Boston, the former home of Mrs. Knapp. They will also take in the old home of the Judge, Rumford Falls, Oxford Co., Me., which place Mr. Knapp has not visited in 28 years, almost a third of a century. They will no doubt be surprised at the many changes in their old homes. May they have an enjoyable trip.

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A lot of Ducks to be slaughtered at nine cents the yard.
50 pieces all wool Dress Goods, 36 inches wide, at 25c yd.
25 pieces Jaconets at 8 cents the yard.
25 pieces silk stripe Challie at 10 cents and 22 cents a yard.
45 dozen Silk Mits at 8c, 15c and 22c a pair.
75 dozen Ribbed Vests at 8c, 10c, 15c and 20c.
12 pieces of Wash Silk at 25 cents the yard
50 pair white and ecrue Chamois Gloves (will wash) 25c pr.

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In the Cloak Department, 200 Ladies' Ready Made Wrappers 50 Ladies' Jackets and Capes from $1.75 up to $5 00. 25 Children's Jackets, 75c up to $4 00. Entire stock must be cleared out at once.

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents

Death of a Valued Correspondent.

It is with sadness that we announce to the many readers of the MINER the early taking away of Mrs. Mary F. Graff, of Mt. Alton, age 52 years The deceased for many years had been a correspondent to this paper from Mt. Alton Every week her bright and interesting letters appeared in these columns They were always newsy and couched in good language, terse and to the point

Mrs. Graff died last Friday The remains were brought to this place on Sunday morning and the funeral services held in the M. E. church, being conducted by Rev. J. H. Crocker, of Mt. Alton assisted by Rev. J. W. Sanborn Mr. Crocker, who was her pastor spoke of the many Christian virtues of Mrs. Graff as an Olean citizen, of his remarks and that her life was one that inspired all with whom she came in contact with a desire to be better men and women, and that his own faith had been strengthened by knowing her. A large number of her friends, together with the members of Isabella Lodge No. 160, D. of R. of which she was a member, attended, filling the church to its utmost capacity. Deceased was a daughter of John and Theresa Hafner. She leaves a husband, Geo. H. Graff and one little son. The remains were taken to Colegrove, where under the beautiful services of the above lodge they were laid at rest

The MINER extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband in this time of his sad loneliness

ANNIN CREEK

Annin Creek can beat anything that has been reported yet in the line of corn One man has popcorn in his garden which stands nine feet two inches high, and another one has field corn that measures ten feet nine inches. This leaves our Turtle Point friend in the shade

An ice cream social was held at the residence of D. Simpson at Turtle Point, last Thursday evening Thirty five people went down from this place, and a good time is reported About $20 was raised to aid in fencing the Annin Creek cemetery

Rev. Miller of Turtle Point, has commenced a series of meetings in the M. E. church of this place Services will be held every evening this week and as much longer as the interest shall demand

Mr. and Mrs. S. Austin, of Bells Run, passed through town Sunday en their way home from Coryville

Rev. Langmade has gone to Arcade on a business mission He was accompanied by Mrs. Langmade

Some of Turtle Point's young people attended church in this place Sunday evening

The farmers are hustling their oats

John Matthews, of Portage Creek, was in town Sunday

C. H. Holcomb and I. Casper had business in Rixford Saturday

Mrs. Hovey has returned to her home in Roulette after a short visit here

Mrs. G. O. Buckley of Olean is visiting friends in this place

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hodges have returned home from Olean

Herman Humbert, of Coryville, was on our streets Sunday

Burt Winslow was home from Rixford Sunday

Miss May Winship is on the sick list

Nice harvest weather this

CLERMONT

Two or three farms have been in town for the past week looking for a location to start retail shops If prices will make up their minds to locate here

Dr. Jacobson contemplates buying a farm of Milo Lyman One by one they become permanent settlers

B. F. Wellingdorf, of St. Marys, came over and hired all the employes in the new railroad

The Catholic church is now completed, which adds very much to the looks of our town

J. Boyer contemplates building several tenement houses. It is just what this town needs

Rev. C. W. Halliwell and family, of Smethport, were in town one day this week

Lind Flemm, of Smethport, had business in town one day this week

Lots of business at the temple of justice this day

James Mack has sold a part of his farm

Obituary

We clip the following extracts from the Arcadian Advertiser in reference to the death of Mrs. Clara J. H. Eaton, whose death occurred Aug 4th

Clara Taylor was born about seventy years ago at Smethport, McKean county, Pa. She was brought to Franklin when four years old by her grandmother, Mrs. Gott, with whom she lived several years, until adopted by the late Hon. John W. Howe, her uncle, in whose family she was the only child, and was afterward known as Clara Taylor Howe On the 5th of November, 1850, she was united in marriage with Rev. S. J. M. Eaton, then a young clergyman just called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church of Franklin After thirty four years of faithful service as pastor here, Dr. Eaton was called to his reward on the 16th of July 1889, dying suddenly of heart failure.

The death of her husband was a sad blow to Mrs. Eaton, but she bore it with that resignation to God's will which was so characteristic of her life Their union was childless, and she was alone in the world, so far as family connections were concerned To the poor, especially, she was a bountiful and cheerful giver Providence had left her with ample means to gratify the benevolent instincts of her heart, and she enjoyed the pleasure of giving

Here, where the life and actions of this eminently good woman are so fully known and appreciated, there is no need of eulogy. She leaves with us all the remembrance of a life beautiful from its beginning to its close, a pathway strewn with acts of kindness to many a sorrowing heart, a consistency and a perseverence in the faith she professed more powerful than any sermon that was ever preached for actions are words—seeds which may or may not reach fruitful ground —while a life like hers appears to every heart and reinvigorates within us all what ever there may be of good

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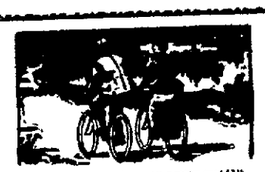

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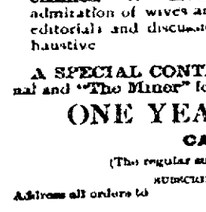

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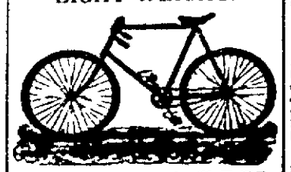

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SAME OLD GAMES.

WE ARE PLAYING THOSE INVENTED BY THE ANCIENTS.

The American Indians Played Baseball, "Cricket, Lawn Tennis, Chess and Checkers Date From Away Back—Novelties in Games Rarely Catch On.

Few of the hundreds of new games that are invented every year become popular They may be seen in any toy store by the score—lawn games and parlor games, games of cards and games of ball, games for young and for old. They are a melancholy sight, for not one of them will ever take the place of the old standbys of infancy and boyhood. Even the names of most of them will never be heard of by the majority of American boys and girls. This is the logic of history

It seems an easy matter to invent a game. The best games are so simple, yet a popular game was never yet invented. Every one of them has grown, and the best of them have been growing for hundreds of years. Scientific men tell us that all sorts of queer creatures once lived on this earth—great lizards with wings, sea monsters, half whale, half seal, and rhinoceroses larger than elephants. All these have died away because they were not fitted to live, while those animals that were fit for life have gone on growing better and better, till some—the horse, for instance—we could not do without. It is just so with games. Those live that are fit to live, and the rest die.

Our best games form a sort of aristocracy Their pedigrees run back to very ancient times, and no modern upstart can compete with them. Take baseball and cricket, for instance, probably the most popular outdoor games of modern times, the one in our own country, the other in England. They are first cousins, and their hold on American and English boys is in all probability due to the fact that they each unite two strong lines of descent—that of the bat and ball games—to which female lacrosse, hockey, croquet and, more distantly billiards also belong and that of the goal games such as tag games in the corner, I spy and dozens of others.

All the nations we know anything about had bat and ball games ages ago. Nobody invented the bat and ball. They grew up with our civilization from the time when little savages used to knock about a pebble or a fruit with a stick. So with the goal games—they have always been popular Their name is still legion. The goal part—that is, the running from base to base—is a much more important part of the game in baseball than it is in cricket, and for this reason we Americans are justified in looking upon baseball as the better game, all other things being equal. To be sure, neither baseball nor cricket is the game it was 800 years ago, but both have grown, not changed.

Any one who chooses may trace the growth of cricket from the year 1300 It is not as easy to trace the pedigree of baseball, for just as with a great many American families, there is a break in the record back in colonial times. It is known to have been played by the Indians It is a thoroughly American game and no one loves it less because some people claim rounders as its ancestor and others reject the claim with scorn.

As for indoor games, we may prove their nobility in just the same way Chess comes down to us from the ancient Hindoos, by way of Persia. Checkers were played in Egypt, and then in Greece and Rome Cards made their appearance in Europe in 1350 and the Chinese say that they used them two centuries earlier than this. Tenpins was certainly played in the thirteenth century, and probably much earlier All these have grown, but they have not changed their nature

Lawn tennis is only an offshoot of the old game of court tennis said to have been brought into Gaul by Roman soldiers and still played. Again only a growth and a new device There is halma—only a variation of the old pyramid game of checkers How about parchesi The pompous title A Royal Game of India inscribed on the old parchesi board is often thought to have been only an advertising dodge but it was quite true. Parchesi called by the Hindoos pachisi is widely played in Asiatic countries, and the Spanish explorers even found the Aztecs playing it under the name of patoli in Mexico, whither it may have been carried across the Pacific.

These and many other instances are worth thinking over deeply for they touch a lesson If any one is tired of the old games and wants something a little different let him alter the old in the direction of growth rather than try to invent something quite different. The most successful inventors of games have followed this rule. Indeed it is more than a rule. It is a law of nature. You might as well try to please the human palate with food made out of sand and sawdust as to force boy or man to get enjoyment out of a game that does not contain the old, well tried game elements.—New York World.

Words Which Rhyme Not

The number of English words which have no rhyme in the language is very large Five or six thousand at least are without rhyme and consequently can be employed at the end of the verse only by transposing the accent, coupling them with an imperfect consonance or constructing an artificial rhyme out of two words. Among other words to which there are no rhymes may be mentioned month silver liquid, spirit, chimney, warmth, gulf, eyelph muscle, breadth, width, depth house iron, echo

Well Made Up.

"Come, dear, kiss my cheek and make it up," she said forgivingly

"I'll kiss it," he answered, "but I don't think it wants any more making up"—Figaro.

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To all sorts of pranks entirely,
Fun and frolic in every motion.
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Sunshine and tempest may they
What has become of the heads hold quiet?
Dogs, and cheeks couldn't buy it!
Where did you come from anyway?

Does Leda know you have gone a-Maying—
Come from the fields of gold a straying?
Did the watchful hosts of heaven say things
When you threw away your starry playthings?
Lose them just as you like day!
And such a long, dark journey—sleepy
And all alone, and hungry, weepy!
You must have come by the milky way

The world is brighter since you love us,
But the fields of gold are dark above us,
For now at night, when you are calling,
The glittering stars, like hosts, are falling—
Falling for their lost Gemini.
But though the weeping heavens miss you,
And Leda longs to hug and kiss you,
We cannot spare you—Dem and I

—E. A. Jenks in Granite Monthly

UNWELCOME GUESTS.

A Highly Conventional Social Visit by a Party of Indians.

Some years ago three young men were camping in the Sierra Nevada mountains, killing deer fishing and cooking delectable food. One day it happened that one of them had twisted his ankle, and the others went hunting without him. He could not move about he was naturally somewhat bored, and after reading awhile in the shade of a tree he fell asleep. Thus he tells what followed

I woke up with a start and the feeling that something was about to happen. Something had happened. Fifteen Indians sat in a half circle about me, waiting for me to stir

They had fixed upon me their 15 pairs of black, beady eyes, and not one of them moved a muscle. All of them had guns, and, what was more important, each had presumably two sound legs, whereas I was handicapped by my lameness.

I looked at them, and they continued looking at me. A lightning express of speculation ran through my head, I remembered that the deputy sheriff of the nearest settlement had lately shot an Indian by accident and that the tribe had sworn to have his scalp. Did I look like the deputy sheriff? Was it my scalp they wanted?

Their eyes never wandered, but mine did, for I could not help glancing at my gun, at least 15 feet away and at the spot where a big Indian sat composedly on my cartridges. Finally one buck made a remark.

"Fishhook?" said he

"No," said I. "No fishhook"

Silence again for 15 minutes. Then another indicated by a glance a piece of venison hung up in a tree and granted his approval of it. I nodded, and he rose, solemnly took it down and laid it on the ground beside him.

A little boyish fellow, with eyes more restless than those of the others, removed his gaze from me to a greasy piece of red flannel beside me with which one of our men had been cleaning his gun

I took it up and held it out to him and he accepted it with out word remposure and, I have no doubt inward rapture. Then we had another period of silent reflection and they rose, stalked solemnly away to their horses tethered in a neighboring grove, and rode off They had made me a highly conventional social visit.—Youth's Companion

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The Woman Medical Writer

A London writer with due respect for woman journalists thinks that the only department of a paper that should be closed to a woman writer is the medical—unless of course she is a medical man. He goes on to say that the medical columns of any London weekly it is easy to perceive, are conducted by accomplished experts but a case has recently come under his notice where a young woman who had failed as an art critic was set to answer the medical inquiries of correspondents on a country paper "I forget to a decimal what was the exact mortality of the district he continues but the proprietor said if she remained much longer on the paper he should have had no subscribers left. One of her replies was something like this T Daisy—Thanks so much for your kind letter Yes The mistake was mine. It should have been a quarter grain of strychnine instead of a quarter Tapeworm very bad subject complaint How sorry my letter to you must have made you Yes, there is no better shape from nursing than Joy a

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A Chinese Custom.

A quaint custom practiced by Chinese mothers when a child is restless and does not sleep is to write the following verse and pin a copy of it on each of the four corners of the house that the passersby may read and the child find rest. Literally translated the verse reads

Brilliant sparkling heaven
Brilliant sparkling earth
In my house there is a child who cries at night.
The gentlemen coming from the four quarters
behold
Peaceful sleep till break of day
—New York Times.

Filled the Bill.

"Yes," remarked the guest "that dinner did fill the bill

"Glad to hear it" said the hotel keeper

It surely did fill the bill. I only wish it had the same effect on me."

This time the boniface spoke not.—Indianapolis Journal

Several kinds of birds are known to follow cows horses and other stock about the pasture for the purpose of feeding on the insects disturbed by the feet of these animals.

Scott in the Heart of Midlothian," recommended the Laird o Dumbiedikes to plant trees, who remarked that "they wad aye be growin whiles he was sleeping.

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Another stomach trouble is that form of dyspepsia which gives pain after eating Persons with this disease seem to have but a scant measure of nerve strength, when food is being digested, the stomach needs the concentration of all of the nerve and brain force, and if reading or even thought is attempted soon after eating, the stomach commences that intolerable aching which dyspeptics dread so much, when, the only immediate relief appears to be to stop the mental activity and get up and move around In such cases there is evidently for the time being, too little nerve power to divide between the stomach and the brain each one alone needs it all to enable it to perform its labor

There are two properties possessed by Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic, which constitute it a cure for all of the above derangements. One, is its power of purifying and sweetening the stomach and stopping the formation of gas and acid, the other is the giving of increased nerve action and strength. Soon, with better digestion and better nutrition there is a general renewal of life and health The mind of a business man, under its use, soon become clearer and more active, thoughts come easier and are more clearly expressed, the memory is stronger, business plans and ventures are arranged in a better manner and are more patiently and successfully carried out, and details are attended to better because of the increased strength of both mind and muscle.

Women having the care of a household on their minds, find Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic to be a great blessing it gives better digestion better nutrition, more strength, cures that feeling of weariness in the morning, that anxiety of mind, that fear that something is going wrong or that something had is going to happen, cures dizziness, shortness of breath, pressure through the chest belching of wind, rumbling in the bowels, heartburn, and all forms of dyspepsia that come from weakness.

Mrs Eben Pierce of Erie, Potter Co Pa writes I can truthfully say that I owe my life to your stomach and nerve tonic I was troubled with my stomach for over a year and tried everything I could hear of, but did not get any benefit I was nearly in despair, for although I had only four in my family I could not begin to do the work for them on account of a friend wrote me to try Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic and I did I did not expect to ever get any better but was greatly relieved on taking the first dose and now after taking only one bottle of your remedy I can do my work and my stomach does not hurt me only when I do very heavy work I shall continue its use until I am entirely cured for I am perfectly satisfied that it will cure all such stomach trouble. I thank you dear Doctor with a thousand times over for putting before the public such a wonderful remedy for human suffering"

Mrs Allatt Harman of 2305 Fifth Ave Altoona Pa., writes "Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic has done me power of good that burning after meals has left me I have always been so nervous that I would take no exercise as I so feared exertion that I would have to send for the doctor but have not had one since I commenced using your stomach and nerve tonic"

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J C Fulton of Burgettstown Pa writes I have been afflicted with the rheumatism and was laid up in bed a good part of the time my stomach was in a bad condition and would not retain food I began to use Dr Day's Stomach and Nerve Tonic it not only helped my stomach but relieved me of the rheumatism and also increased my weight wonderfully

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They Will Then Learn What Modest Women Think About Them.

"Why will men be such beasts?" said an indignant young woman to a friend as they alighted from the "L" at Fiftieth street one day last week. "I have just suffered acute mental anguish for the last few minutes because a great brute of a man would insist upon crowding up against me and touching me with his knee. There is nothing so maddening to a modest, refined mind as that. A woman is practically defenseless.

"Now tonight the cars were crowded, and I was tired enough, as you may imagine, to drop down into that vacant seat with a sigh of relief, which was quickly changed to anxiety when I realized what I should have to endure from the man beside me. I moved over as far as I could without falling into the aisle. It was no use, and I just jumped up and held to a strap the rest of the way

"It is at such times as this that I long for some one—some man with a real, manly heart in him—to such such a creature as that that there is an unwritten law at least which keeps men from forcing their attentions where they are not wanted I wonder sometimes if it is because I am obliged to work for a living that I have to endure such things"

'I do not think that fact makes any difference," said her companion, "for I saw a pretty little doll of a woman who toils not nor spins pass through a similar experience on a Broadway cable car. She stood it as long as she could, and then she brought her umbrella down between her and the obnoxious creature with a thud that made every one stare.

"All the women in the car took in the situation at a glance and shot such glances at the masher that he sneaked off the car after a block or two.

"The little woman looked relieved, but she forgot to relax the tense lines around her mouth and the bright red spots did not fade from her cheeks. Since that I have used my own umbrella to stave off obnoxious persons."—New York Press

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SORTING THE LIVE CRABS.

What the Man With the Wooden Tongs Says About Them.

The job of sorting out crabs as they come from the fishing smacks at Fulton market is one that would have no particular charms for a nervous man The box wriggles all over with blue and white legs and pinchers, and, while a hand thrust in would probably receive no very painful injuries still it would be more than most folk would be willing to undertake.

The man who does it has a pair of wooden tongs with which he picks up each crab and locks at it before he drops it into the sack If the crustacean wildly waves his claws the man counts him and passes on to another But once in awhile he stops as he gets a string of three or four holding on to each other a leg He tugs on a body almost amidships and if it does not just right he disengages it and drops it into another sack.

"What do you do that for?"

"Thirty seven thirty-eight—what?"

"What do you squeeze them so for?"

The man looks as astonished as if you had asked him what forty acres were useful for and answers "To see if they're alive Thirty nine, forty"

What do you do with the dead ones?

The man had got to the bottom of the box before he took the trouble to answer Then he gathered up the 30 or 40 loose claws and legs which had come loose and dropped them into the bag Then he said: "Garbage" shouldered the sack of squirming crabs and went on into the fish store.—New York Herald

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Seared the Shahzada.

A London correspondent tells the following interesting episode of the shah and and the review at Aldershot He was evidently astonished and delighted by what he saw But the review one critical moment during which he must have doubted the good faith of Englishmen A large body of Lancers was put to the charge and instead of charging past, as is the custom it charged directly on the spectators—that is to say on the Prince of Wales the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke of Connaught the shahzada and their attendants. The object was to show how suddenly a military movement could be arrested but the shahzada evidently doubted its purport, for as the troops advanced at full speed, with their lances leveled he suddenly turned his horse half round as if to apprehended a mistake and a disaster His attendants took care that his momentary exhibition of fear should not be too conspicuous When his horse was turned round again, the lancers had pulled up as if by the movement of one pair of reins a few yards from the royal party

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The Complacent Boston Woman.

Two ladies famous in Boston society for their wit and learning were heard solemnly talking to each other returning in a street car from a luncheon

"There really were other people there who said clever things besides us," said one.

"You do remember, returned the other I believe the times were in our favor when we began getting our reputation for saying clever things. People noticed it more when we were young if women were bright than they do now"—Boston Transcript.

What She Said

Marie—Did you tell your friend, Miss Van Puff, of our engagement?

Osbourne—Yes.

Marie—What did she say?

Osbourne—Oh, she said I had her sympathy.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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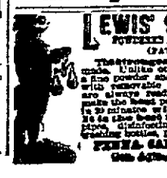

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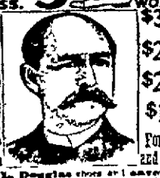

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